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## Central Coast Office - Regional Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of APRIL 15, 2016

Members Present	Members Absent	Staff Present
Lindsey Baker (FA)	Jarod Abernathy (SA)	David Grady
Patrick Miller (FA)	Kris Anderson (SA)	
Mara Rupert (SA)	Laura Carrodi (SA)	<b>SCDD Member Present</b>
Geraldine (Gigi) Senna (SA)	Ramon Hernandez (SA)	Sandra Aldana
Ron Vasconcellos (FA)	Theresa Scott (CA)	
Ruth Vasconcellos (FA)		
Andrea Vergne (FA)		

### Videoconference Meeting Locations

Oxnard (Main)	San Luis Obispo	Santa Barbara
Tri-Counties Regional Center 2491 East Gonzalez Rd., Ste 100 Oxnard, CA 93036 (805) 485-3177	Tri-Counties Regional Center 3450 Broad St., Ste 111 San Luis Obispo, CA 93401 (805) 543-2833	Tri-Counties Regional Center Santa Barbara Annex 505 East Montecito St. Santa Barbara, CA 93103 (805) 962-7881

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Miller (FA) called meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.
2. **ROLL CALL/Introductions – Establishment of Quorum** – Grady called roll. A quorum was established. Self-introductions were made by those present.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES (January 29, 2016)** Senna (SA)(m)/Vasconcellos (FA)(s)/(c) to approve the minutes with correction to Item 10, c, to include Paul Wolf Accessibility Award event to be held on May 22, 2016, 6:00 pm at Cal Poly. Tickets are \$25 per person. This event is open to the public. 7 – Yes; 0 – no. For: Baker (FA), Miller (FA), Rupert (SA), Senna (SA), R. Vasconcellos (FA), R. Vasconcellos (FA), Vergne (FA). **(February 19, 2016)** A. Vergne (FA)(m)/R. Vasconcellos (FA)(s)/(c) to approve the February minutes as written. 5 – Yes; 0 – no; 2 – abstentions. For: Baker (FA), Miller (FA), R. Vasconcellos (FA), R. Vasconcellos (FA), Vergne (FA); Abstentions: Rupert (SA), Senna (SA). Vergne (FA) mentioned that the LEAP program is not on today's agenda as discussed at the previous RAC meeting and asked if it can be added to the next meeting agenda. Grady will do some research and will try and bring someone to give a presentation on the program.

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4. **Public Comments on Matters Not on the Agenda:** There was some discussion about acronyms and their meanings. Grady will forward a list of acronyms provided by SCDD to members.
5. **Presentation – “Final Rule” Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver-Federal Program** – Grady gave an update on how services are provided in California and presented a power point included in the handouts. Places to acquire more information: the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) website, Department of Developmental Services website and the Department of Health Care Services website.
6. **Chairperson’s Report** – Miller (FA) reported that only one application for the Vice Chair position was received. It was moved/seconded [Baker (FA)/Senna (SA)] and carried for Vergne (FA) to be elected as Vice Chair. No discussions, no abstentions. For: Baker (FA), Miller (FA), Rupert (SA), Senna (SA), Ron Vasconcellos (SA), Ruth Vasconcellos (FA).
7. **SCDD Representative Report** - Aldana reported that the Feds are seeing that SCDD is moving forward in California and spoke about the funding formula for the Council. Currently we are waiting for recommendations on the Federal funding and in finding ways to address some of the local issues. More information will be provided at the next Executive Committee. She stated that in a report received from Mr. Bishop, he was very impressed with the way CDSS took in the reins and in reaching out to WIOA, Employment First, and with multi-cultural groups. California is leading the way in reaching out to those communities. Members held a discussion about the possible office closures and office consolidations into 1 region. Aldana stated that no concrete timelines have been made until we find out what’s happening with the funding formula. She shared that SCDD appreciates Grady stepping in to help out with the Central Coast office and is also looking into getting part time staff to help out.
8. **Statewide Self-Advocacy Representative Report**– Aldana reported for Hernandez that the SCDD SSAN report will be sent out. She and Hernandez (SA) attended the Silicon Valley/Monterey Bay (SV/MB) RAC meeting and expressed they were impressed. Discussion revolved around working collaboratively with the SV/MB office and in rebuilding momentum, outreach, and drawing in more community members. Grady explained the type of agenda items SV/MB have which includes the regional center as well as someone from the community to speak. He suggested contacting Tri-Counties to invite them to be on the Central Coast agenda on a regular basis and in encouraging collaboration. Grady also expressed he would like to attend the Tri-Counties Meetings as he does at the SV/MB region. Vergne (FA) presided as Vice Chair as Miller (FA) had to leave the meeting. Baker (FA) congratulated Vergne (FA) for volunteering and accepting the Vice Chair position. Vergne (FA) reported that she, Miller (FA) and Matthew Guerero are moving forward working on an effective utilization digital technology based learning proposal for the school district and will be meeting next week.

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- 9. Legislative Update** – Members asked for clarification regarding the legislative sub-committee. Grady announced that because of AB1595 RAC's can only have a membership committee. A community workgroup can be created as an organization separate from State Council. State Council members can be a part of that work group. At the SV/MB office Grady chairs a community disparity task force comprised of community members and some RAC members. When wanting to take issues to SCDD a form needs to be completed which is submitted to the Legislative and Public Policy Committee (LPPC) at State Council. Bob Giavatti is the Policy Analyst. A lengthy discussion took place about bringing in community members and self-advocates. Vergne (FA) suggested tabling the conversation for another discussion at the next meeting. Baker (FA) gave an update on the Able Act and gave Grady a handout with a contact list for him to circulate so that those interested can follow-up.
- 10. Manager's Report** – Grady reported he will be emailing contact information for the SV/MB office as well as his tentative schedule through June. He and Jennifer Lucas each plan to visit the Central Coast office at least once a month to handle office business and to attend meetings. He gave an update on the Cycle 39 Grant proposals for fiscal year 2016/2017. Deadline for applications is May 31<sup>st</sup> and are to be submitted to State Council. Proposals must relate to employment and housing. Winning proposals will be announced on July 25, 2016. Cycle 39 will begin October 1, 2016 and run through September 30, 2017. Information is posted on the SCDD website. As Grady obtains further information he will send it out. Grady also gave a synopsis of the newly revised State Plan for 2017 – 2021. He will be emailing this to members as well. Lastly Grady wrapped up with a State Council Central Coast priorities work sheet for members to bring to the table for the next RAC meeting.
- 11. Committee Reports** –
- a. **Membership /Officers** – Aldana reported that the State Council membership committee is reviewing the memberships for all the RAC's. No timelines have been given.
- 12. Continuing Business**
- a. **County Reports: this is a time to share concerns or innovative solutions to service delivery for people with developmental disabilities by county.**
    - i. **San Luis Obispo** – No Report
    - ii. **Santa Barbara** – No Report
    - iii. **Ventura** – Aldana reminded members about the Independent Living Resource Center (ILRC) event taking place tomorrow and urged members to attend. The event is coordinated by ILRC and Youth Outreach Disability (YO).
- 13. Announcements**
- a. **Agenda Items for Future Meetings** – Vergne will not be at the June meeting so will table the LEAP item for a future meeting. Items to add for June 17<sup>th</sup> meeting: Mental Health,

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Worksheet Priority Form, Legislative Community Group and Grant Priorities. Grady reminded members that there will be no legislative work group meeting in May.

**14. Adjourn** –Vergne (FA) adjourned the meeting at 1:14 p.m.

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